

Oil and gas exploration nothing new Methods of extraction are

By Jerry Eltzroth
CV&T Contributor

“Oil men searching for new pools, additional capitalists and operators coming in by the scores: many big deals brewing. The in-rush of capitalists and operators from all parts of the Union has been particularly noticeable the past few days.”

The news quotation is from The Irvine Sun, spring 1916. The decade of 1910-1919 was a period of an oil boom in Estill and surrounding counties. Oil and gas leases were being signed by property owners throughout Estill County in hopes of hitting it rich. Most signees received little or nothing.

J.W. McKee of Butler, Pennsylvania signed many property owners in the Witt Springs, Rice Station, Winston, Jinx and Cantrill areas of Estill County in 1916 “in consideration of one dollar” and a dream of a producing well. You may remember some of the names: Nannie Bet Floyd; Ed and Eliza Smithers; S.D. and Mary Witt; A.D. and Mary Powell; W.S. and Rachel Winkler; R.B. and Maggie Tuttle; Steven and Lucy Worrell; SF and Dulie Winkler; J.H. and Lizzie Blackwell; Melvin and Bessie Hardy; James and Mollie Hardy; H.T. and Martha Hardy; J.B. and Lucy Blackwell; G.A. and Lucinda Hamilton; John and Mary Floyd; Flemon and Lula Richardson; Oscar and Mattie Winkler to name but a few. I never heard of anybody in this area getting rich from the exploration of oil and gas. The eastern area of Estill County and Lee County had producing wells that began fading out in the 1950’s. My great Uncle Doc Dickerson worked in those eastern oil fields until he was transferred to Saudi Arabia and later to Guam.

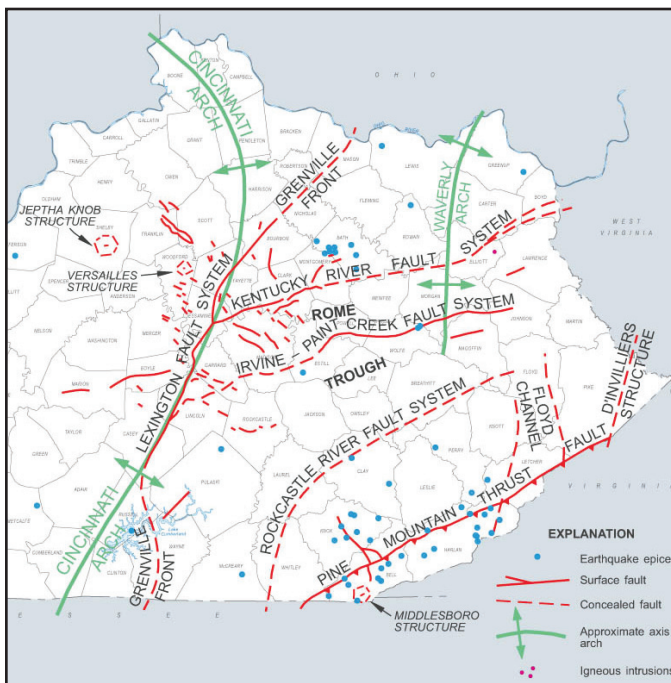
There has always been a lot of interest in exploring for oil and natural gas in

Estill County. In the 1970’s there was a resurgence of exploration but no big finds. The oil companies always had a gut feeling that there were riches under all the shale that is beneath much of Estill County. About 1971 an oil company did some seismic testing in the Sand Hill area but never found anything they thought would be profitable. Every time I dig a posthole on my farm I am reminded of the nuisance of the shale. Some of it is soft while other layers are so hard you cannot chip through it even with a spud bar. The shale has oil encapsulated in it. I discovered that fact when I burned brush on top of a slate bank. I ignited the oil in the slate and it took a week of rain and dousing with a garden hose to extinguish the smoldering sulfuric-smelling fire.

There are gas wells in the Witt Springs area that have been drilled by property owners for their own use. A neighbor that borders my property has a gas well that supplied gas to a mobile home on his property. At the beginning of Sand Hill Road there are a couple gas wells. In 1986 I was informed by another neighbor near me that he had a gas well on his property and it was piped to his house. He used to work in the oil and gas fields. He claimed there was enough gas in that well to supply all of Sand Hill for 50 years. I am sure there are many more private gas wells in our county.

These shallow wells do not produce enough oil and gas to interest the big oil companies. Recently information and technology has come to light that has created renewed investigation in Estill County as well as Madison, Jackson and Rockcastle Counties. According to a news release from Frack Free

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This map from UK/Kentucky Geological Survey reveals where the Rome Trough is located as well as faultlines in the central part of Kentucky.

Estill ECU cheerleaders place at Nationals

Two Estill County women competed last weekend in a national cheerleading competition at Disney World in Daytona, Florida where they helped secure third place medals for their team.

Morgan Wiseman and Taylor Isfort are members of Eastern Kentucky University’s all-girl team, which competed for the first time.

Morgan is the daughter of Chris and Leah Wiseman, and Taylor is the daughter of John and Donna Isfort.

Both girls cheered for local competition and school teams before they extended their cheerleading successes into college.



Photo submitted

Studio Blue Dance



Dance studio now open on Main

By LISA BICKNELL
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Irvine native KaShara Garrett is the owner of a new business, Studio Blue Dance, that just opened at 129 Main Street this week.

The 23 year-old’s life-long training in physical education and dance lends itself handily to a career in teaching dance.

She grew up cheerleading and performing gymnastics at her mother’s studio, Andy’s Gymnastics, where she often assisted with classes.

KaShara also took dance lessons when she was growing up but says they had to drive out of town for those.

Until now, other parents have had to do the same if they wanted their kids to learn to dance.

KaShara is trained in Ballet, Pointe, Jazz, Tap, Hip Hop, Acro, Lyrical, Contemporary and Pom. In college, she was a four-year member of the ECU Dance Team, which ranked in the top 5 in the nation at UDA Nationals.

She has choreographed for all-star and high school teams throughout Kentucky and Ohio.

After she graduated from ECU in 2013 with a degree in physical education, she lived in Louisville for a year. She realized that she “really missed Irvine” after a while.

“It was different [there] for sure,” she said, “a lot bigger and a lot more people... but it was kinda lonely.”

KaShara says when she went away to go

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School district sets goal to improve communications

By LISA BICKNELL
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The Estill County School District is seeking to improve its relationship with the community by improving communications with all “stakeholders,” including parents, guardians, the media and business leaders.

A recently formed Communications Task Force met on Thursday, January 15, to discuss ways

to improve the relationship between the school system and the public.

Assistant Superintendent Tonya Isaacs and Community Education Director Teresa Dawes facilitated morning and afternoon meetings.

Isaacs presented a goal overview of the Comprehensive District Improvement Plan, which the school district is required to prepare every year after test scores are released. Goal Six of

the plan is to improve communication.

Those who attended the meetings were asked to voice their opinions on ways the school district can be more transparent.

They completed a communication partnership survey, then the committee participated in brainstorming sessions to pinpoint the district’s strengths and weaknesses.

Currently, the school district has a website, but

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She looks at her business as a way of promoting the arts and providing local kids with something else to do.

“I think this will give them opportunity to be more well-rounded,” she said. “It will be a part of an arts education, since that isn’t being taught in schools much anymore.”

KaShara said she “got the ball” rolling on her idea in December, noting that her business is completely separate from her mother’s cheer and gymnastics classes taught at Sand Hill.

“Dad is going to love this,” she laughed. “Now he will get to take care of two buildings.”

While in Louisville,

Photos by Lisa Bicknell

KaShara Garrett, left center and right, has opened Studio Blue Dance on Main Street. She’s happy to be offering tudents another opportunity to be exposed to the arts.



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some say that it is not easy to navigate.

Some local schools also have Facebook pages where announcements can be posted, and parents can access student’s grades via an online gradebook.

Elementary schools scan and upload papers that are sent home in Thursday folders, so parents can access them by email in the

event the papers become lost.

Many participants in the meetings, including school employees, expressed a sense of disconnect with Central Office employees and said they often felt intimidated in their dealings with them.

Isaacs said the district hopes to better communicate with the public about such things as why parents and guardians must be buzzed into school

buildings, or how the district makes the decision to have school on cold or snowy days.

Other issues the district hopes to address is increasing parent/guardian involvement and school involvement and informing volunteers of the difference between the two.

The committee will meet monthly to set goals and monitor progress.

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Foothills and posted by an oil and gas discussion group in Lawrence County, Kentucky, “ABARTA Oil & Gas is currently working on a potential new shale play in Kentucky called the Rogersville shale. This is a brand new shale that has never produced commercial gas, but information from some old deep test wells indicate potential for vast reserves at great depths. The Rogersville shale is even older and deeper than the Marcellus or Utica shale and is Cambrian age (+500 million years). This makes the potential shale play extremely risky and expensive, but the rewards could also be extreme! The Rogersville shale play is located in a deep, narrow sub basin in eastern Kentucky called the Rome Trough. Drilling depths will likely be about 2 miles deep!”

ABARTA has over 60,000 acres leased in the Rome Trough formation in Eastern Kentucky. They are serious about the extremely large payout that awaits the deep drilling in the Rome Trough. I know of someone who has property in Pike County with 2 gas wells drilled by ABARTA. He receives a decent monthly check for his share of the gas pumped. The 2 wells are connected by a 6-inch pipe which then runs to his neighbors gas well and eventually to a main pipe. The 6-inch pipe is buried in most places but it is exposed in some areas. Other than the unsightly look of it he

has had few problems.

Two articles in the Richmond Register on January 8, 10 written by Irvine native Machaela Ballard reported that one energy company, Lexington Energy, and possibly others are researching deeds of property owners in the Red Lick area of Madison County. Some leases have been signed. When enough leases are signed seismic mapping would begin and drilling would start based on the results. I mentioned this fact to Kim, the clerk in the Estill County deed room. She said that someone was researching deeds in Estill County the first full week in January for Lexington Energy. Lexington Energy has also been making inquiries at the PVA office. When I contacted Lexington Energy about soliciting leases in Estill County their representative, Mike Leaverton, said, “Right now, we are concentrating our efforts in Madison County.”

To extract the oil and gas from the Rome Trough may require a controversial method commonly referred to as “fracking.” Fracking is the process of extracting natural gas from shale rock layers deep within the earth. Horizontal as well as vertical drilling allows for the insertion of pressurized fracking fluids into the shale pocket. This creates channels within the rock from which natural gas and oil can be extracted at higher rates. The drilling process can take up to a month. The resulting well is then encased with cement to ensure groundwater

protection Next the shale is hydraulically fractured with a mixture of water, sand and other fracking fluids. No one is revealing what is the content of these fracking fluids. The potential environmental impact of hydraulic fracturing includes contamination of ground water, depletion of fresh water, the potential triggering of earthquakes, air/noise/surface pollution, and other risks to health and the environment.”

Jim Scheff is director of the environmental group Kentucky Heartwood. He is a volunteer for the newly formed ‘Frack Free Foothills’. Their web site has a great deal of information about the environmental horrors of fracking as well as information about the pitfalls of signing a lease with the energy companies. If offered a lease, the best advice is to have the document reviewed by an attorney prior to signing.

A community meeting hosted by Frack Free Foothills will be held Tuesday, January 27, from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at the Acton Folk Center in Berea. The Folk Center is located on 212 W. Jefferson Street. The internet address for this group is <http://www.frackfreefoothills.net>.

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Inebriated man arrested after seen stumbling through store

An Irvine man was arrested after he was seen stumbling through a store.


According to a police report filed by Irvine Police Officer Sam Hensley, Samuel D. Travis, 22, of 392 Lily Ferry Road, was seen stumbling as he walked through Shell Mart.

Officer Hensley watched him as he got into the driver’s seat of a vehicle and left the parking lot. Hensley caught up with Travis on Wisemantown Road and conducted a

traffic stop after he saw him swerving.

The report said that Travis smelled strongly of alcohol, and he failed field sobriety tests. He denied having had anything to drink, but an Intoxilyzer test administered at the jail read .256.

Travis was charged with operating a motor vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, second offense (aggravated circumstance).



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Grandparents sew for ‘Love and Compassion Bear Project’



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The Estill County Grandparents United have been putting their talents to good use while helping others. With the help of donations and a Jackson Energy Round-Up mini grant, the ECGU group has been busy making pillows for children in Estill County who have been relocated due to neglect, abuse, family tragedy and domestic violence situations. The service project is being called the “Love & Compassion Bear Project.” Bears will be distributed to first responding agencies throughout the county. The Estill County Grandparents United Support Program meets the third Thursday of each month in the Wisemantown Methodist basement.

General Assembly wraps up a busy first week of 2015 session

FRANKFORT - Though regular sessions of the Kentucky General Assembly are yearly events, in many ways each one signals a fresh start.

That was clear this week as the 2015 legislative session convened with numerous new faces in both the House and Senate. The larger-than-usual freshmen class includes six new senators (two of whom previously served in the House) and 11 new House members (one of whom previously served in that chamber.)

The beginning of the session also started anew the journey scores of bills will follow toward become state law. The starting line is the same for all bills: introduction in a legislative chamber. That starting line was a crowded place this week with more than 250 bills filed in the Senate and House combined.

Political observers often pay particularly close attention to the first few bills filed in the House and Senate - a good sign of measures are top priorities of chamber leaders. In the House, a proposed constitutional amendment that would allow local-option sales taxes was filed as House Bill 1. The measure would let voters to decide on a constitutional amendment to help permit communities to implement a temporary sales tax of a penny or less to raise money for a specific project.

At the other end of the Capitol, Senate Bill 1 got off to a fast start by earning approval of the Senate just days after its introduction. The measure would make Kentucky a right-to-work state, meaning that people could work at unionized shops without paying dues to an organized labor group. Supporters argue that right-to-work states have a strong edge in job creation while opponents question the quality of life in right-to-work states. SB 1 now goes to the House for consideration.

Although numerous bills started moving through

the legislative process this week, there was also much attention on what’s known as the “organizational” work that takes place in the first week of odd-year sessions. Committee assignments were made, rules of procedure were adopted and chamber leaders were selected.

There was a mix of both change and continuity in leadership elections. The top leaders in both the Senate and House remain the same with this week’s re-election of Senate President Robert Stivers and House Speaker Greg Stumbo to their leadership posts. But there were changes in each chamber’s “pro tem” positions - the leadership spot with duties to preside when a chamber’s top leader is absent or unavailable.

Sen. David Givens, R-Greensburg, was selected as Senate President Pro Tempore. Rep. Jody Richards, D-Bowling Green, -- a former House Speaker - was chosen to serve as House Speaker Pro Tempore.

Democratic and Republican caucuses also announced their leadership lineups in each chamber.

In the Senate, leaders are: Majority Floor Leader Damon Thayer of Georgetown; Minority Floor Leader Ray Jones of Pikeville; Majority Caucus Chair Dan Seum of Louisville; Minority Caucus Chair Gerald Neal; Majority Whip Jimmy Higdon and Minority Whip Julian Carroll.

The House lineup includes: Majority Floor Leader Rocky Adkins of Sandy Hook; Minority Floor Leader Jeffrey Hoover of Jamestown; Majority Caucus Chair Sannie Overly of Paris; Minority Caucus Chair Stan Lee of Lexington; Majority Whip Johnny Bell of Glasgow; and Minority Whip Jim DeCesare of Bowling Green.

The first week of the session also brought House and Senate members together for a joint session

in which they heard Gov. Steve Beshear’s final State of the Commonwealth address - a one-hour speech with a signature line declaring: “Kentucky is back, and we’re back with a vengeance.”

The governor outlined his goals for the legislative session in his speech, just as numerous lawmakers have in talks throughout the state and in meetings and interviews since they returned to Frankfort this week. One issue all seem to be talking about is the toll heroin is taking on Kentuckians. Members of both the House and Senate have looked at approaches in dealing with this issue, with one approach already put into the form of legislation approved in a legislative chamber during the first week of the session.

SB 5, approved by the Senate, calls for stronger punishments for heroin dealers as well as better support for treatment programs. The bill also provides for administration of naloxone, a medication used to counter the effects of an overdose, by first responders and provides immunity for those individuals and their employers when the drug is administered. The legislation now goes to the House for consideration.

Now that lawmakers have closed out the first week of the session, they are scheduled to return to the Capitol on Feb. 3. That makes this an important time for citizens to stay in touch with lawmakers and share their views on the issues lawmakers will be voting on during the remainder of the session. There are several easy ways citizens can stay in touch with the General Assembly.

The Kentucky Legislature Home Page, www.lrc.ky.gov <<http://www.lrc.ky.gov>>, provides information on each of the Commonwealth’s senators and representatives, including phone numbers, addressees, and committee assignments. The site

also provides bill texts, a bill-tracking service, and committee meeting schedules.

Woman arrested at Children’s Clinic

A Berea woman was arrested after she was seen behaving strangely at the Estill County Children’s Clinic on River Drive.

The Irvine Police Department was dispatched to the pharmacy after Morgan L. Neil, of 2201, Highway 1016, Berea, was seen at the clinic and was thought to be under the influence. She is said to have had an eight-month old child with her.

When Captain Adrian McKinney arrived on the scene, he saw Neil leaning on the counter with the child in a child carrier setting on the counter beside her.

The pharmacist told him that Neil had been sitting in a chair, had passed out and had almost fallen in the floor while standing at the counter.

Neil failed field sobriety tests, according to the police report. She told police she had taken Sudafed PE and Aleve. After failing the FSTs, she admitted to also taking suboxone.

The pharmacist also informed the police that Neil had removed something from her boot and placed it in the trash can inside the pharmacy. Two empty suboxone strip packages were located inside it.

The police report also said that the child had been left inside the pharmacy by himself for a period of time.

Neil was charged with public intoxication, prescription of a controlled substance not in a proper container, and tampering with physical evidence.

Her bond was set at \$650 cash.



Police Beats

1-15 Cindy Ballard, 31, of 279 Wall Street, was served a bench warrant for failure to pay fines associated with traffic violations.

1-17 Ernest C. Brinegar, 152 N. Plum Street, was served a bench warrant for failure to pay fines associated with traffic violations.

William Johnson, 31, of 390 Rice Station, was served a bench warrant for failure to pay court costs related to public intoxication.

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VIEWPOINTS

Parting with mineral rights?

Please think long and hard



By LISA BICKNELL
CV&T News Editor

Recent news of land companies buying up mineral rights with intentions to “frack” in Madison and Estill Counties has set off ripples of alarm among many citizens. Landowners need to be aware of what they could be getting themselves--and their neighbors--into if they do lease their mineral rights. Drilling for oil around here has been happening off and on for nearly a century, but new technology has come up with a method for forcing oil and gas from depths that traditional drilling cannot touch. It is a controversial practice known as hydraulic fracturing, or “fracking.” The Richmond Register confirmed that the mineral leases signed in Madison and Estill Counties do allow for it. Not only does the process have the potential to force more oil and gas

from layers of shale deep within the earth, it also has the potential to cause devastating damage to the local environment and subsequent harm to local people. There are several reasons why I am wary of the practice of fracking here, or anywhere, for that matter. (The state of New York banned fracking last year because of concerns over the risks to the public’s health. Several other countries have banned it as well.) One is the risk of increased earthquake activity. The Washington Post recently referenced a study published by the Bulletin of the Seismological Society of America that connected several small earthquakes in Ohio with hydraulic fracturing in the area. There are some pretty significant fault lines crisscrossing Kentucky, one that runs beneath the Clay’s Ferry Bridge. That raises another uncomfortable question: What happens to the mustard gas stored in aging igloos at the Bluegrass Army Depot if fracking is conducted nearby? Besides the risk of increased seismic activity, fracking requires huge volumes of water--sometimes millions of gallons—to be forcefully injected deep into the earth.

The small creeks in this area slow to little more than a trickle in the summer, so they can’t meet that need. That means the water would have to be trucked to the site. But from where would it be hauled? The Kentucky River? Owsley Fork Lake? Floyd Branch Lake? During dry years, these sources barely meet the needs of the communities that draw from them. And besides, who wants to deal with the constant traffic of a bunch of tanker trucks on narrow country roads? A long list of chemicals, many known to cause cancer, are used in the fracking process. Because of a loophole created by Congress in a 2005 energy law, the wastewater from fracking is not regulated under the United States Safe Drinking Water Act. I’m sure this loophole was designed to allow the U.S. to become more energy-independent, but it seems very short-sighted and irresponsible to me. The whole fracking process creates toxic waste that is stored in wastewater ponds or injected in toxic wells back into the ground. A report on the Weather Channel citing another seismological study said it is these toxic wells that are more likely to cause earthquake activities than the drilling itself.

Apparently, the wells create extra stress on fault lines and are even suspected to create some new ones. Those who support fracking say the toxic waste is injected so deeply into the ground that it is stored below groundwater level. However, surface spills are not uncommon and they do contaminate drinking water. Another thing that concerns me. Our local streams, which dwindle to a trickle in August, are often raging rivers in the spring. If a drill site were to flood, any toxins at ground level could easily be swept into the water supply. Our area already has more than its fair share of cancer and birth defects. We don’t need the added worry from the risk of more contaminated water. According to an article in the Herald Leader, Tom Fitzgerald, the head of the Kentucky Resources Council, said current regulations are not adequate to protect public health and the environment. So who’s really going to benefit from fracking? The oil and gas industry claims that jobs are created resulting in economic growth. Yes, but I’m skeptical that many locals will be put to work here or that any economic boom would last. Here’s one more thing to

consider. Land owners now being approached in the Red Lick Valley are being offered \$20 to \$50 an acre for their mineral rights. In Ohio, landowners are paid \$2,000 and up... sometimes as high as \$5,000 an acre. Granted, that area may be a proven producer of oil and gas, but something about the discrepancy still smells funny to me. Finally, besides the risks to public health and the potential for bust as well as boom, imagine how fracking operations would change the landscape of our peaceful valleys. Drill sites and heavy traffic from big trucks and heavy equipment would pretty much insure the end of peace and quiet as we know it. On Tuesday, January 27, from 6:30 to 8:30, there will be a meeting at the Action Folk Center on 212 West Jefferson Street in Berea to discuss the practice of fracking and the impact it has on communities. We need to be educated about this issue, because the future well-being of our families depends on the decisions landowners make in the coming weeks and months. The ultimate question to consider is this: Are public health and the beauty of our scenic valleys really worth sacrificing for dollars? I don’t think so.

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Nominations for civic education awards being accepted

Secretary of State Alison Lundergan Grimes is now accepting nominations for the 2015 Kentucky Outstanding Civic Education Leadership Award. The award recognizes teachers, school administrators, legislators and community leaders who have made significant contributions toward promoting civic learning to teach students the importance of being engaged citizens. “I have met inspiring young Kentuckians across our state who are responsible and engaged

citizens,” said Grimes, Kentucky’s chief advocate for civic engagement. “Behind each successful student is an amazing educator. This award is a great opportunity to recognize Kentuckians who have selflessly dedicated their time, talents and energy to the success of Kentucky’s future - our youth.” The award winner will receive a \$1,000 cash prize to be used to further his or her civic learning initiatives or program. One finalist will be selected from each Kentucky High School

Athletic Association region, and the winner and each finalist will receive a plaque and be recognized during the KHSAA Boy’s Sweet 16 Basketball Tournament in Lexington. Dr. Marion F. Simon from Kentucky State University in Frankfort received the 2014 Kentucky Outstanding Civic Education Leadership Award. She has been a leader in the agricultural and farming communities for nearly 40 years. Dr. Simon is a professor and coordinator of the Division of Food and Animal Sciences at Kentucky State.

She is known for creating The Third Thursday Thing, a hands-on educational program for producers, farming professionals, and home-schooled students. The Outstanding Civic Education Leadership Award is part of Grimes’ ongoing efforts to improve civic engagement in Kentucky. In her first two years in office, Grimes conducted a statewide series of 15 roundtables at Kentucky colleges and universities to discuss ways to improve Kentucky’s overall civic health. At

the conclusion of the yearlong initiative, she released the Kentucky Civic Health Assessment, which summarizes the topics and solutions discussed during the forums. Application/Nomination forms and additional information about the award are available at www.sos.ky.gov. The Office of the Secretary of State is proud to sponsor this award with the Administrative Office of the Courts and the Kentucky Department of Education.

What trips you up?

by Susan Luster Lynch
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In this busy world we live in, it’s easy to allow ourselves to run, until we literally feel like we are going insane. Between working, family, friends, ball games, grocery shopping, and don’t forget, Facebook, we seldom have any time to just sit back and breathe. My point? We all need to slow down and realize what it is that we are allowing to trip us up in our walk with God. Albert Einstein defined insanity as doing something over and over again and expecting a different result, and I do believe he hit the nail on the head! I know from experience that as an addict you will repeatedly go around the same people knowing that you are going to use. You will take the same route to the store even though you know that driving by a certain street is going to trigger you and you are going to end up buying

whatever it is you are trying not to buy. You will reprogram that number back into your phone even though you have deleted it multiple times because having it makes it easy to get that fix. Sounds crazy doesn’t it? Guess what though? Not only “addicts” have the tendency to do the same thing over and over again while expecting a different result. Everyone does. Would you like some examples? I am so glad you asked! If you hit the snooze button every morning until you are running late for work you are in a cycle of over sleeping. Maybe you walk down the same isle in Walmart every time you go in even though you know you are going to spend money you don’t have on something you don’t need. If so, you are in a senseless spending cycle. Perhaps every month you wait until the last day to pay your water bill even though you know you are going to have to pay

a late fee. Surprise, that’s a cycle too. Rushing head first into relationship after relationship...cycle...binge eating...cycle...maxing out your credit cards...cycle... Should I go on? You see we all have habits that we need to break. Some of them are just harder to break than others. So, the next time you see someone struggling with an addiction, consider your credit card debt and then say a prayer for the both of you. God is able to conquer both of those giants we just have to be willing to allow Him. Matthew 7:3-5 (KJV) And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother’s eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam is in thine own eye? Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother’s eye.

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Old Estill County Courthouse dynamited one hundred years ago today

Submitted by Barry Hall

One hundred years ago today, the old Estill County Courthouse was dynamited, “practically destroying the structure,” reported a January 24, 1915, *San Francisco Chronicle* wire dispatch.

The blast, heard throughout town, occurred around 9:00 on a Friday evening during a heavy rainfall, when the streets were empty. No one was reported injured.

“The explosives were placed in the office of the county attorney,” reported Richmond’s *The Climax-Madisonian*, “and the whole building on the north side of the main corridor, which is occupied by the offices of the circuit court clerk, county attorney, and school superintendent, and the vault

containing the circuit court records, was almost completely demolished.”

“The inside walls, the floor below, furniture, bookcases, typewriters, the upper floor, and benches in the courtroom on the second floor were completely wrecked by the explosion,” reported *The Climax-Madisonian*. Fifteen sticks of unexploded dynamite were found in the debris.

When daylight came, glass from shattered windows in the courthouse and nearby businesses and houses was found strewn about town. “There was great excitement among the residents the morning after the explosion,” reported *The Climax-Madisonian*, “but as yet there is absolutely no clue as to who committed the deed or their object for same.”

Two days after the explosion, “bricks from the walls of the Ashcraft, Friend, Richardson heirs and Mrs. Lena Wallace buildings fell with considerable noise,” reported *The Climax-Madisonian*. “It is supposed they had been loosened by the recent dynamiting of the courthouse.”

A special grand jury was convened in February 1915 to investigate the incident.

Governor James B. McCreary, of Richmond, whose father was from Cobb Hill, offered a \$200 reward for the arrest and conviction of the perpetrators. This, added to the \$5,500 reward the county offered, raised the reward to \$5,700.

It is unknown whether the crime was ever solved. But in an apparent attempt at vigilante justice, ten men went to the home

of Houston Underwood on Valentine’s Day, 1915, and riddled him with bullets when he came to the door, believing him to somehow be connected with the dynamiting. According to an Associated Press dispatch, Irvine police “believe the killing of Underwood was a mistake and that the men who fired the shots really wanted another man.”

Two men were later convicted of Underwood’s murder in Winchester and sentenced to life in prison.

The courthouse was the target of a previous dynamite attempt in December 1913, but that incident did minimal damage.



Photos submitted by Barry Hall

The San Francisco Chronicle reported that the Estill County Courthouse, shown in this postcard photograph, was the target of a dynamite blast on January 22, 1915 which caused extensive damage. This brick building, built in 1867, was replaced by the current structure in 1941. The Chronicle also reported that a previous attempt to destroy the building had been made in December 1913.



By Beverly Thompson
CV&T Guest Columnist

I knew it better than I did. My generation was sustained by dreams because we were products of the Great Depression and that is all that we had to hang on to. This tragic situation created many great men and women that otherwise might not have strived so hard for greatness.

Out of the depression, a great new nation was born and young men and women achieved goals that no one would have ever thought to be attainable. As bad as things got, and when I was still so small that I was absolutely no help to my family, I was still able to realize that my life was going to be one of doing without, hard work and many times hunger.

I tried to amuse myself with things that others would think to be so silly. I would lie in bed at night and let my mind take me to unknown destinations. In my mystical travels I have visited many a strange land and encountered many strange things.

The mind is a mighty weapon against

boredom and can conjure up wonderful adventures for those of us who are willing to be receptive. When we open our eyes on a new day, we have sometimes dreamed up a project for the day.

My mother loved Hollyhocks and she planted them all along the fence row around our house. The hummingbirds loved them also. This was to be a very special day for me. As soon as I had made my bed and eaten my breakfast I ran out side. I had decided that today I was going to fulfill a dream. I hid behind the Hollyhocks with my hands encircling one the blooms and stood very still hardly daring to even breathe too deeply until a humming bird finally came close enough to gather the nectar. I closed my hands quickly. I only wanted to touch it for a second. I immediately let it go. I did not want to hurt it. I only wanted to feel the satin multi-colored feathers for one small moment. When I moved my hands, it hesitated for only a heartbeat and then flew away. I never forgot that one instant when I had captured the allusive little bird.

All my life I remembered the incident. It was indicative of my life. One moment of success, and then I was ready to let it have its freedom. I have lived my life by that remembered incident. I begin something that I want to do. Work at it until I have reached the measure of success that I can attain then I leave it and go on to something new. I do not dwell on the fact that I am not or ever will be the best. I only want to do the best that I can do and then move on to

something else. I have never been jealous of those who excel where I cannot. All of us have our boundaries. Some are meant to touch the stars while others are only meant to reach for them. Be happy with what you have. We are not all destined to be the very best but we are all meant to reach out and then be satisfied when we have reached our own plateau.

For the lucky ones college was to be the next step but for myself I knew that I would never be able to attain that dream. My future was to be a wife and mother as my mother before me and her mother before her. Today education is there for all who want it but it was not so when I was growing up. We all knew that my older brother, Earl, would be the one to be allowed to go to college and we all worked to help him realize his dream. My second brother, Marion, would realize his dream of a good education and a rewarding profession but only after serving his country in World War II.

One night I heard a blood curdling scream. It came from the corn field that was now a maze of fodder shocks. Peering into the darkness from my bedroom window I could see the glowing yellow-green eyes of an animal. It was slowly moving down through our field toward Remzy’s barn where she was caring for her new calf. My daddy had heard the scream also and he was already running through the house to get his shot gun. As soon as he got outside ,he shot into the air and the stalking animal

ran toward the woods. Daddy did not want to kill the big cat but he was going to protect out new baby calf. Remzy pranced around in her stall and the mooing never stopped the remainder of the night. She intended to guard her baby and fight for it if need be.

My daddy started listening more and more to the radio. He said things were happening in the world that we would all have to suffer for. Lowell Thomas painted a dreary picture. To me, it seemed that he never wanted to stop talking. I wanted to listen to the newest episode of Dick Tracy but Daddy said that the news was more important, so I listened with daddy.

If he said it was the thing to do then it was, because my daddy was never wrong. Hitler was a name that I was to hear over and over.

In a very short while even I, as a child, would realize that this evil man was trying to destroy our world as we knew it. The time was nearing that I realized that as usual my daddy was right. Daddy explained it to me in a way that I, could understand.

Remzy was willing to fight for her calf and we as Americans could possibly be expected to fight for our families. My daddy was the most important thing in my life. He was the love of my life, and it never changed. It has been over fifty-five years since I lost my daddy but I can still close my eyes and see him. He was and still is the greatest love of my life.

TIMES PAST

Millers Creek News

- Nelson McIntosh has returned here from Dayton, Ohio.
- High back water covering the roads and inclement weather have resulted in a curtailment of mail service here the past week.
- Magistrate John McIntosh, who has been seriously ill, is gradually improving.

45 Men in Estill January 11 Quota

Men Report To Louisville Next Thursday For Pre-induction Examinations

Number Larger Than December

Contingent

The list of Estill County men called for pre-induction examinations for January 11, 1945, this week by the Estill County draft board reveals a sharp increase over the month of December when thirty-two were called. The January quota is for 45 men and they will report to Louisville for examinations instead of Huntington, W. VA. where the selectees have been going the past few months for physical tests.

Farmers Meeting

The farmers of Estill County and others interested are invited to meet at the courthouse in

Irvine on Saturday, January 20, 1945 at 1:00 P.M. for the purpose of discussing the re-hiring of a county agent.

Estill Count has been without a county agent since August, 1944. The University of Kentucky has indicated that every effort will be made to secure a man acceptable to the county if the farmers want him.

All farmers attending this meeting will have an opportunity to express their views in regard to the need for county agent. The Fiscal Court will consider every opinion expressed in making its decision in regard to the re-employment of a county

agent. Everyone interested should make every effort to be present and bring his neighbors so far as possible.

W. M. Noland, o. Judge.

Marriage Licenses

William F. Lanter, 42, Irvine, to Mary Wyatt, 31, Beattyville, Dec. 20.

Wdward Estes, 21, Palmer, to Ollie Lunsford, 19, Irvine, Dec. 23.

Hubert Lutes, 18, to Villa Mae Cox, 17, both Witt Springs, Dec. 23.

Troy Dixon, 22, South Irvine, to Agnes Hall, 23, West Irvine, Dec. 27.

Kiwanians Install Thursday Evening

Shelby Burnett Becomes New

President In Ceremonies At Ladies Night Banquet Event Takes Place At Irvine M. E. Church

The Irvine - Ravenna Kiwanis Club, chief civic since 1923, inherited in the new president and other officers for the year 1945 in installation ceremonies held in connection with the annual ladies night banquet of the club at the Irvine Methodist church Thursday evening at 7:00 o'clock.

Shelby Burnett, vice-president the past year and former treasurer and secretary, became president, succeeding Past President, Ben W. Cornelison. A. W. Benning had charge of the installation and R. F. Flege

served as a toastmaster.

Mr. Burnett is a dispatcher of the L & N. Railroad Company, and has been active in community affairs for several years, working in War Bond, Crippled Children's and Red Cross drives.

A guest of the club on this occasion was Miss Bessie Parker, 1944 Kiwanis carnival queen.

Other officers of the club for the year will be Joe Ohr, vice-president; Orville W. Meade, secretary John A. Childers, treasurer; Ben Cornelison, R. F. Flege, A. W. Benning, C. E. Yeager, Russell Howard, R.C. Mullins and H. T. Short, directors.

Ida Louise Arvin, 60

Ida Louise Arvin, 60, wife of Roger, died Wednesday, January 14, 2015. She was a native of Estill County, a daughter of the late Lonnie and Stella Powell Wiseman. Mrs. Arvin was a devoted wife, mother, and grandmother, and she loved antiquing. She was an employee of the Carhartt Company.

Survivors other than Roger, her husband of 28 years include; her sons, Brian and wife, Aubree Duechle, Abney, and Jarrod and wife, Shea Hackworth, Arvin; her grandchildren; Taylor Duechle, Averey Duechle, Lucas Abney, Lexi Arvin, Nate Arvin, and Kayle Arvin; her sister Joan Isaacs; several nieces and nephews.

Services will be held Monday, January 19, 2015 at Lewis Funeral Home with John Wallace officiating. Burial at West Irvine Cemetery. Pallbearers were Anthony Charlton, Dean, Daniel, Dwight, Jarrod, and Michael Ray Arvin. Honorary pallbearers were her grandchildren.

Bro. Raymond Clayton Flynn, 95



Bro. Raymond Clayton Flynn, 95, died January 5, 2015 at the Baptist Health Hospital, Richmond, KY. He was born November 11, 1919 to the late Edgar Preston Flynn and Mary Elizabeth Cox Flynn. He was the fifth child of six children. He was raised on a farm in Wagersville, Estill County, Kentucky. He is preceded in death by his parents and all siblings.



On August 16, 1940, he was united in marriage to Rebecca Catherine Sparks who was a lifelong, devoted companion, friend, encourager for 68 years. She preceded him in death on March 9, 2009. Raymond

served in the U.S. Navy for a short period. Bro. Raymond is preceded in death by: two daughters, Joyce Rae Laswell, Ronald now deceased of December 21, 2014, of Morrow, Ohio, and Madonna Jean, and her husband, Carlos, Cash of Brodhead, Kentucky; four grandchildren, Martha and huband, John, Hutton, Kelly Laswell, Ronald Clayton and wife, Beth, Laswell of Warren County, Ohio and Michael Terry and wife, Jennifer, Cash of Brodhead, Kentucky; five great grandchildren;two great great grandchildren.

Bro. Raymond gave his heart to the Lord, August of 1939 and surrendered to the ministry in January of 1953 when he made a public declaration of this call. He worked for the L&N Railroad for several years before attending Clear Creek Baptist School and graduated with a three year certificate on May 27, 1957. Bro. Raymond pastored churches in Kentucky until he retired from full time pastorate November 11, 1984. God continued to use him as interim pastor from May, 1987 until March 09, 2009 to be a caregiver to his wife.

Services were conducted on Thursday, January 8, 2015 at the Marvin E. Owens Home for Funerals with Bro. Jim Craig, Bro. Randy McPherron and Bro. Jesse Buell officiating.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Raymond and Catherine Flynn Scholarship Fund at Clear Creek Baptist School, In care of Ottawa Baptist Church.

Bertha Lynn Murphy Henry, 49

Bertha Lynn Murphy Henry, 49, of McKee Road in Irvine died Thursday, January 15, 2015, at her home following a long illness. She was born June 21, 1965 in Estill County and was the daughter of the late Rex and Nellie Mays Murphy. She was a homemaker and had lived in Estill County all of her life.

She is survived by her husband, Edward Lynn Henry; two daughters,Jami Culton and husband, Tommy, of Madison County, and Jennifer Henry of Estill County; three sisters; Carol Hoffman and husband, Tim, of Estill County, Robin Parks, of Montgomery County, and Patricia Jones and husband, Bones, of Estill County;three brothers; Gene Murphy, of Madison County, Roy Murphy & wife, Paula, of Estill County, and Billy Murphy, of Estill County; five grandchildren; Jared, Trinity, Lirik, Melodi and Omar Culton. She was preceded in death by a brother, Rex Murphy and a brother-in-law, Jimmy Parks.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday, January 17, at the Warren F. Toler Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Beverly Arvin. Burial at the Chamberlain Cemetery. Pallbearers were Johnny Hoffman, Alex Hoffman, Timothy Hoffman, Steven Hoffman, Shawn Riley, Brian Henry, Jimmy Riley and Scotty Murphy.

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Dorma Mae Elliott Miller, 88



Dorma Mae Elliott Miller, 88, widow of Claud Miller, died Saturday, Jan.17,2015 at her home on Reges Road after a short illness.

Born June 15, 1926, to Vernon and Provie Sparks Elliott, she was a homemaker who dedicated her life to her family. She enjoyed spending time with her children and grandchildren, working around her yard and taking care of her home. She was a Christian.

In addition to her husband and parents, she was preceded in death by a brother, E. M. “Buddy” Elliott, and two grandchildren, Cheryl Ann Miller and Joel Edward Burns.

Survivors include two sons, Larry and wife, Carol, Miller of Nicholasville, and Joel and wife, Terry, Miller of Midway; three daughters, Cleta and husband, Ed, Burns of Perryville, Betty and husband, Dave, Webber of Union, and Rhonda Smyth of Irvine; a brother, Charles Elliott of Irvine; a sister-in-law, Bertha Elliott of Connersville, Indiana; 10 grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were Monday January 19 at the Warren F. Toler Funeral Home Chapel with Edward Burns officiating. Pallbearers were her grandsons, Justin Smyth, Greg Miller and David Miller; her grandsons-in-law, Jimmie Miller, James Stults, Jason McCowan and William French. Honorary pallbearers were her granddaughters, Michele Miller, Mindy Riddell, Heidi Burns, Amy Stults, Kimberly McCowan, Katie French and Allie Webber. Burial at the West Irvine Cemetery.

Harold Ray Neal, 63

Harold Ray Neal, 63, of Jacqueline Court in Irvine, passed away Sunday, January 18, 2015, at the Marcum and Wallace Memorial Hospital after a long illness. He was born November 20, 1951 in Estill County, the son of the late Mid and Pearline Riddell Neal. He was a farmer and a carpenter and had lived in Estill County all of his life.

He is survived by his wife, Patsy Lynn Riddell Neal; four daughters, Tonya Neal, Donea Barnes, Regina Neal, and Kristin Neal, all of Estill County; a son, Gregory Neal, of Estill County; two sisters, Rebecca Staton, of Estill County, and Mary Shannon, of Paris; four brothers, Hubert Reece, of Tennessee, Larry Neal of Estill County, Kenneth Neal of Stanton, and Darrell Neal of Estill County; and 10 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by two brothers, Brian Ray Neal and Brandon Scott Neal.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, January 21 at the Warren F. Toler Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Terry Barnes. Burial in the Oakdale Cemetery

Bertha Mae Wagers, 92

Bertha Mae Wagers, 92, a resident of the Irvine Nursing & Rehabilitation Center died Friday, January 16, 2015, at the Center. She was born April 9, 1922 in Estill County and was the daughter of the late Owen Rawlins and Annie Neal Rawlins Brandenburg. She was a retired St. Joseph Hospital employee and attended the Revival Tabernacle in Lexington.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Herman “Buster” Wagers. She is survived by; several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by one sister, Nellie Pasley and five brothers; Fred, Oliver, Cleve and Edgar Rawlins and Beverly Brandenburg.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday, January 20, at the Warren F. Toler Funeral Home Chapel. Burial at the West Irvine Cemetery.

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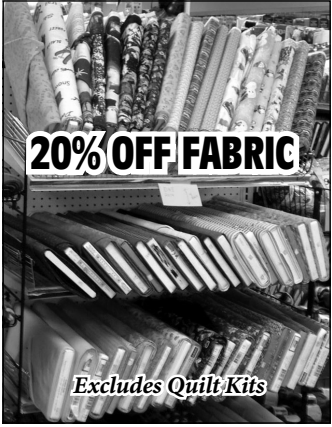
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Wilma Jean Whitener, 82

Wilma Jean Whitener, 82, died Tuesday, January 13, 2015. Born at home in West Irvine on November 21, 1932 to John and Pearl Cox who precede her in death. She was a homemaker and a mother of two typical boys. Wife of the late, Logan Whitener, her husband of 62 years.

She is preceded in death by; her parents, John and Pearl Cox; her husband, Logan Whitener; her brothers and sisters; two sons, Gary and David; her daughters-in-law, Cathy Whitener and Cindy Cheek; four grandchildren, Logan Whitener, Ashley McNeal, and McKenzie and Roman Whitener; her sister, Effie; granddaughter, Madde-lynn Rene McNeal, to be born later this week.

There was a celebration of her life held at Beanblossom-Cesar Funeral Home in Corydon Friday, January 16, 2015. A second viewing will be held at Lewis Funeral Home on Sunday, January 18, 2015. Burial in the West Irvine Cemetery. Honorary pallbearers were the nursing staff at Westminster Village.

Chester Sidney Witt, 79

Chester Sidney Witt, 79, of Furnace Junction Road in Ravenna died Thursday, January 15, 2015, at the Marcum & Wallace Memorial Hospital following a short illness. He was born June 4, 1935 in Estill County and was the son of the late Alton and Eva Lee Woosley Witt. He was retired from Avon in Lexington and was a member of the Gum Springs Church of God. He had lived in Estill County all of his life.

He is survived by his wife, Jeannie Gray Witt; a daughter, Vickie Witt, of Winchester; a brother, Tony Witt, of Estill County; one grandchild, Kelli Watson; two great grandchildren, Dalton Watson and Grayce Watson.

Funeral services will be conducted Sunday, January 18, at the Warren F. Toler Funeral Home Chapel by Bro. Glyndon Woosley. Burial at the Gray Cemetery. Pallbearers were Bill Arthur, Rick Arthur, Todd Griggs, Jeff Case, Clay Case and Charles Watson.

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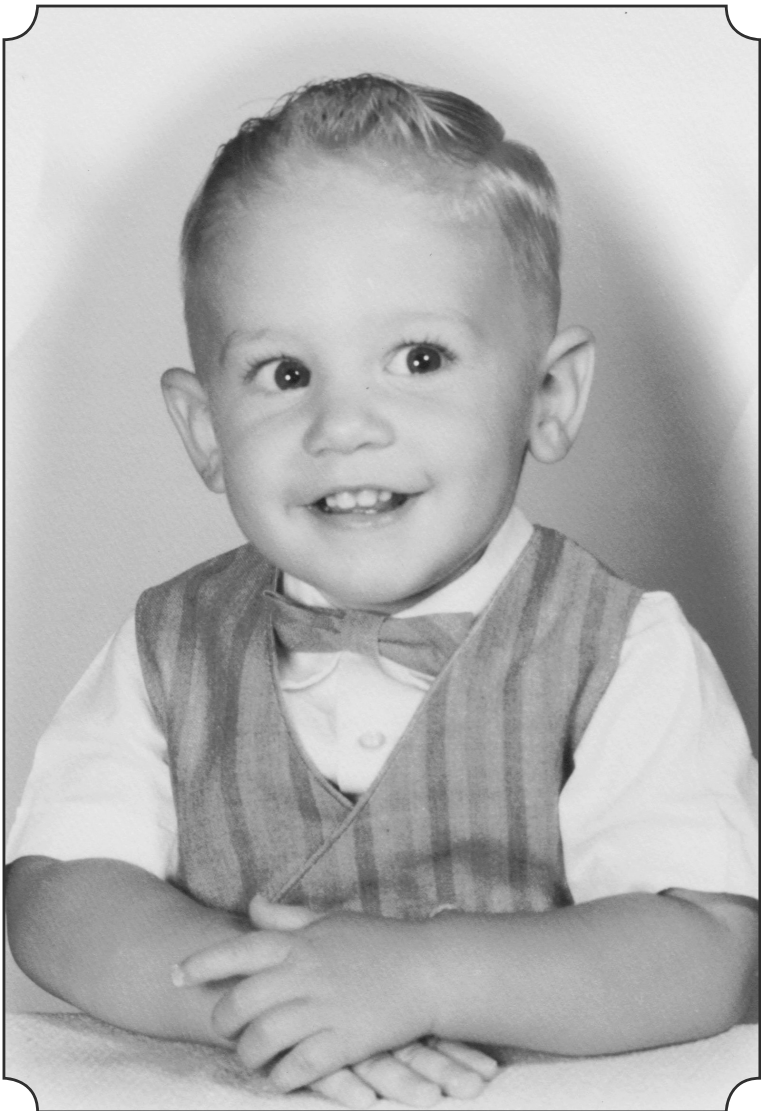
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COURTHOUSE NEWS

Deeds

- Bobby G. and Janice Thomas to Linda G. Thomas, in consideration of love and affection, property lying and being in Estill County, Kentucky, and more particularly described as located in the West Irvine Cemetery Lot Numbers 48, 49, 50, 51, and 52.
- Teresa Sparks to Dannie Hall, By and through his attorney in fact, Darrell Stamp-er, \$47,500.00, property lying and being in Estill County, Kentucky and more particu- larly located on Flinchum Ridge Road.

District Court

- Northwood Apartments III vs. Ella Ma-rie Johnson, seeking eviction for \$207.00, claimed rent owed plus court costs and at- torney fees.
- West Irvine Apartments vs. Ladonna Reed, seeking eviction for \$136 claimed rent owed, plus court costs and attorney fees.
- Alpha Credit Corporation vs. Jewl Selvy, \$1,167.17, claimed debt owed, plus interest and court costs and attorney fees.

Civil Civil Court

- Helen Barnes vs. Amanda Borck and Kentucky Farm Bureau Mutual Insurance Company, seeking compensatory damag- es by breach of duty, and negligent actions and conduct of the defendant, accident happened on September 4, 2014, trial by jury, attorney fees plus court costs.

District Court

- Derrick Lee Burns, pretrial conference, fleeing or evading police, second degree, failure to comply with helmet law under 21 years, failure to or improper signal, speed- ing 15MPH over limit, reckless driving, continued until February 11.
- Jimmy D. Puckett, arraignment, receiving stolen property under \$500, pled not guilty, pretrial conference set for February 11.
- Jessica Henry, other hearing, bench war- rant served on failure to appear status

hearing, bond mdified to \$200 cash to be applied to restitution if posted, probation revocation hearing on February 11.

- John Harrison, other hearing, wants to speak to judge about property bond, bond review on January 26.
- Susan Horn Farthing, review, proof diver- sion completed, dismissed.
- Thomas B. Norton, arraignment, theft by deception- include cold checks, pretrial di- version January 13, show cause hearing and restitution review on July 15.
- William C. Arvin, status hearing, restitu- tion, continued until February 11.
 - Delena Carol Dunaway, pretrial con- ference, disrading a stop sign, operating on suspended/revoked operators license, fail- ure to appear, warrant of arrest.
 - Eric D. Springborn, motion hour, motion to revoke probation, failure to appear, war- rant of arrest.
- Sandra Withers Clark, sentencing, pled guilty on November 12, 2014, \$200 fine, court costs and attorney fees, operators li- cense suspended for 30 days.
- Amber Brooks, preliminary hearing, criminal possession forged instruent, plead guilty per conditional discharge, forgery, second degree, county attorney amends to attempted forgery, County attorney dis- misses without prejudice, show cause hear- ing on July 20.
- Jonathan Winkler, arraignment, cultiva- tion of marijuana, 5 plants or more, first offense, possession of marijuana, drug par- aphernalia- buy/possess, plead not guilty to all counts, preliminary hearing February 11.
- Bertha Lynn Jones, preliminary hearing, theft by unlawful taking/disposition- shop lifting, possession of controled substance, second degree-drug unspecified, Promot- ing cantraband, first degree, illegal pos- session of legend drug, plead guilty to all counts per conditional discharge, show cause July 20.

ECMS announces Students of the Week



Andrea Norton

Dustin “Fez” Warner is the son of Samantha Rogers and the stepson of Kevin Rogers. Fez is currently in the 8th grade, and he enjoys playing baseball. Andrea Norton is the daughter of Hope Johnson. Andrea is currently in the 8th grade, and she likes listening to The Beatles. Fez and Andrea were nominated for Student of the Week by Mrs. Tipton for “being strong 8th grade members of the Academic Team.” Mrs. Tipton also nominated them for their “dedication to the team.” Students receiving this recognition are nominated by staff members atthe Estill County Middle School for exemplary behavior, attitude, and/or citizenship.



Dustin “Fez” Warner

SCHOOL MENUS

South Irvine

Monday, January 26- Breakfast Mini maple waffles, syrup, apples, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken nuggets with roll, Ketch- up, BBQ sauce, mashed potatoes, green beans, pears, milk.
Tuesday, January 27- Breakfast: Toast, Cinnamon Toast Crunch bar, grapes, juice, milk. Lunch: Pepperoni pizza, corn, fresh broccoli, ranch dip, apple, milk.
Wednesday, January 28- Breakfast: Pop tarts, Cocoa Puffs cereal, fruit cocktail, juice, milk. Lunch: Hamburger on bun, ketchup, mustard, lettuce, tomato, baked beans, slaw, peaches, milk.
Thursday, January 29- Breakfast: Chick- en biscuit, applesauce, juice, milk. Lunch: Pepperoni calzone, stir fry vegetables, mandarin oranges, milk.
Friday, January 30- Breakfast: Muffin, pineapple tidbits, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken Strip with wrap, shredded lettuce & tomato, cooked carrots, baby bakers, side kicks, milk.

Estill Springs

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Thursday, January 29- Breakfast: Chick- en biscuit, applesauce, juice, milk. Lunch: Pepperoni calzone or Meatball sub on bun, stir fry vegetables, cucumber slices with dip, mandarin oranges, milk.
Friday, January 30- Breakfast: Blueberry Muffin or Banana Muffin, pineapple tid- bits, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken strip wrap or Deli turkey wrap, shredded lettuce & tomato, cooked carrots, baby bakers, side- kicks, milk.

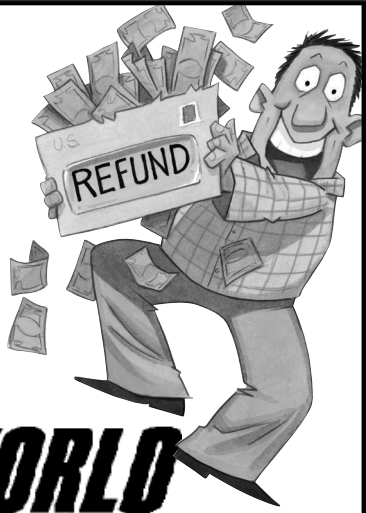
Middle School

Monday, January 26- Breakfast: Mini cin- nis, or Cinnamon Toast Crunch cereal, brown sugar cinnamon pop tart, apple, juice, milk. Lunch: Chicken tenders with Texas toast or Buffalo chicken tenders with Texas toast, sweet potatoes, green beans, mandarin oranges, pears, juice or milk.
Tuesday, January 27- Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, toast, or Cocoa Puffs Cereal, straw- berry pop tart, peaches, juice, milk. Lunch: Stuff crust cheese pizza or Taco snax, steamed broccoli, corn, pineapple tidbits, side kicks, juice or milk.
Wednesday, January 28- Breakfast: Pan- cake porky with syrup or Luck Charms cereal, brown sugar cinnamon pop tart, applesauce, juice, milk. Lunch: Hamburger on bun or Mr. Ribb on bun, lettuce, toma- to, potato wedges, peaches, apples, juice or milk.
Thursday, January 29- Breakfast: Mini blueberry waffles with syrup, or Frosted Flakes cereal, strawberry pop tart, fresh oranges, juice, milk. Lunch: BBQ pork on bun or Fish sticks, mashed potatoes, steamed broccoli, mandarin oranges, pine- apples, juice or milk.
Friday, January 30- Breakfast: Chocolate or cinnamon muffins or Apple Cinnamon Cheerios, brown sugar cinnamon pop tart, pineapple tidbits, juice, milk. Lunch: Hot dog on bun or Deli turkey on bun, popped crisp chips, pork & beans, tater tots, fresh oranges, tropical fruit, juice or milk.

High School

Monday, January 26- Breakfast: Honey nut Cheerios, Fruit Loops, Frosted Flakes, pop tart, strawberry banana yogurt, triple cher- ry yogurt, apple, orange, juice, milk. Lunch: Spaghetti with meatsauce and breadstick, or Fish sandwich on bun, normandy blend vegetables, romaine salad with grape toma- toes, pears, tropical fruit, juice, milk.
Tuesday, January 27- Breakfast: Honey nut Cheerios, Fruit Loops, Frosted Flakes, pop tart, strawberry banana yogurt, triple cherry yogurt, apple, orange, juice, milk. Lunch: Cheeseburger on bun or Mr. Ribb on bun, lettuce, tomato, sweet potato fries, applesauce, pineapples, juice, milk.
Wednesday, January 28- Breakfast: Cin- namon Toast Crunch, Apple Cinnamon Cheerios, pop tarts, cereal bars, sausage biscuit, strawberry banana raspberry yogurt, apples and oranges, juice, milk. Lunch: Popcorn chicken with roll or Corn- dog, potato wedges, slaw, tropical fruit side kicks, juice, milk.
Thursday, January 29- Breakfast: Trix ce- real, Fruit Loops, pop tarts, cereal bars, chicken biscuit, raspberry yogurt, apples and oranges, juice, milk. Lunch: Bosco or Pepperoni calzone, marinara sauce, corn, carrots with dip, pears, apple, juice, milk.
Friday, January 30- Breakfast: Honey Nut Cheerios, Reese Puffs, pop tart, cereal bars, mini blueberry muffins, mini chocolate muffins, raspberry or cherry yogurt, apples and oranges, juice, milk. Lunch: Pork roast with gravy and roll or Pork chop on bun, mashed potatoes, green beans, cooked ap- ples, mandarin oranges, juice, milk.

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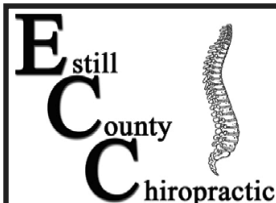
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AA Alcoholics Anonymous now meets every night, Monday through Sunday at 8 p.m. on 167 Broadway. There are no dues or fees.

Body Fitness Classes

The winter sessions of body fitness exercise classes led by Sister Loretta Spotila, RN, will begin on Monday, January 26, and Wednesday, January 28, at the Central Office Gym, on Main Street. Parking is available in the rear of the building. Class times each week on Mondays and Wednesdays at 9:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m.

For further information, call 723-8505.

Estill Arts Council

The Estill Arts Council board meeting will be in the community room of the Estill County Library on January 20 at 7 p.m. Artists, Crafters, and Supporters of the Arts are welcome. EAC sponsors the annual Christmas Arts & Crafts Show; partners with Mountain Mushroom Festival, Ravenna Railroad Festival, and River City Players. We participate in Estill Springs Elementary and West Irvine Intermediate Schools' annual Arts & Humanities Fairs. Please join us on the 20th and become an EAC member. For more information call Mary Reed 606-723-4678.

Estill County Grandparents United

Estill County Grandparents United meets the third Thursday of each month at 11:30 a.m. at Wiseman-town United Methodist Church, 1358 Wisemantown Road, Irvine, Ky. Please come join us.

Estill County Schools Local Planning Committee

The Estill County Schools Local Planning Committee will hold a public hearing at the Estill County high School on Thursday, February 12 at 6 p.m. The Local Planning Committee will convene following the public hearing. The purpose of the hearing is the development of Estill County Schools District Facility Plan. The public is encouraged to attend and provide input.

Food Court Applications

Food Court applications for the 2015 Mountain Mushroom Festival are now available at Irvine City Hall located at 101 Chestnut St. Food vendors must carry a minimum \$500,000 commercial vendor liability insurance. Application, fees and proof of liability insurance must be submitted by deadline date of Friday, January 30, 2015 at 4:00 p.m. Mailed applications must be postmarked by the deadline date. No late entries will be accepted. The application fee is \$150 per food booth space plus a \$75 early departure/closing fee, if applicable. For more information, you may call Kim Williams at 723-4235. The 2015 festival dates are Saturday, April 25 and Sunday, April 26. NEW FOR 2015 : We will accept one food vendor to set up at the car show on Saturday ONLY. The fee for the one day setup will be \$75. All rules/guidelines apply. If more than one application is received for that space, a drawing will be held.

Historical and Genealogical Society

The Estill County Historical and Genealogical Society will meet at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, February 3, 2015 at the Estill County Library for "Show and Tell" of interesting family heritage items or interesting items from history. The 2015 Calendar is now available at the Museum on Saturdays between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. The Estill County Pictorial History, WW II Book, the School Book, and the two volumes of the Cemetery Books are still available.

Irvine High School Class of 65

The Irvine High School Class of 1965 will be having a planning session for their class reunion on January 24 at 10 a.m. at the Estill County Public Library.

Kiwanis Club of Irvine-Ravenna

The Kiwanis Club of Irvine-Ravenna will meet Thursday, January 22, at 6 p.m. at Michael's Restaurant. Kiwanis is a global organization of volunteers dedicated to *improving the world one child and one community at a time.*

Legal and Financial Planning

If you or someone you know is affected by Alzheimer's disease or dementia, the time for legal and financial planning is now. This workshop is for anyone who would like to know more about what legal and financial issues to consider and how to put plans in place. The program will be held on Wednesday, February 11 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Madison County Public Library, located at 319 Chestnut Street, Berea. Registration is required. Please contact 1-800-272-3900 or e-mail infoky-in@alz.org.

Living with Alzheimer's: For Caregivers- Early Stage

This program will help participants understand the common symptoms and behaviors seen in early stage Alzheimer's and how to address them. Additionally, caregivers will learn about what lies ahead legally and financially, the importance of early planning, and how to build an effective care team. This program will take place at the Madison County Public Library, located at 507 West Main Street, Richmond, from 1 to 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 5. To register, call 1-800-272-3900 or email infoky-in@alz.org. This program was created especially for family caregivers, so please, no professionals.

Living with Alzheimer's Disease for Caregivers: Middle Stages

This program addresses the issues involved in caring for a person in the middle stages of Alzheimer's disease or related dementia. Specific topics covered include behavioral and role/relationship changes, medication, safety, and residential options. This program will take place at the Madison County Public Library located at 507 West Main Street, Richmond from 1 to 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 11. To register, call 1-800-272-3900 or email infoky-in@alz.org. This program was created especially for family caregivers; so please, no professionals.

Living with Alzheimer's: For People with Alzheimer's

The diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease is life-changing and leads to many questions. What will this mean for me and my family? How do I plan for the future? Where can I get the help I need? This is an interactive two-part program where you will have a chance to hear from others who have been where you are. We will discuss what you need to know, what you need to plan and what you can do to navigate this chapter of your life. This program will take place Wednesday, February 4, and February 11 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Alzheimer's Association office located at 465 E. High Street, Suite 200, Lexington. To register for this program, please call 1-800-272-3900 or e-mail infoky-in@alz.org. Registration is required.

Public Service Announcement

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) has approved disaster loans for residents in Kentucky counties affected by the August storms. You too may apply to SBA for your disaster damages. Call 1-800-659-2955 or visit the website at www.sba.gov.

Rootstock orders

The Estill County Extension service will again be ordering apple and pear rootstocks this spring. If you would like to propagate a favorite apple or pear, grafting is one of the easiest ways to preserve that cultivar. To graft, you will need scion wood (terminal branch segments from last year's growth) and a rootstock. We typically order Malling 7 and/or 111 semi-dwarf apple rootstock and a pear rootstock. Please place order on or before January 23. Call 723-4557 to do so.

Save the Date!

The Mountain Mushroom Festival Fungus 5K and 2K Fun Run/Walk will be April 25, 2015. More details will be coming in March.

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Community Calendar and Church News announcements should include a brief description of the event along with the time, date and location. Please include a phone number for more information with the announcement.

Announcements can be submitted by mail, email or phone.

Deadline for announcements is Monday at 5 p.m.

Call 606-723-5161 to place your business card on the Community and Devotional page today!

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BAPTIST

BEECH GROVE BAPTIST Red Lick Rd., Rt. 3, 723-6745; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Pastor Marion Brewer

CALVARY BAPTIST 723-7187 or 2416; S.S. 9:45 & 11 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

COW CREEK BAPTIST Hwy. 52, Beattyville Rd., Ravenna; 723-6183; Harold J. Lahrmer, Min.

DRIPROCK BAPTIST, Route 2004; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11:30 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m. 4th Saturday singing 6 p.m.

EASTER VALLEY BAPTIST Star Route, Irvine; Pastor, Michael Davis; S.S. 10am, W.S. 10:45am & 6pm.

EMMANUEL BAPTIST 3905 Richmond Rd.; Sherl Thomas, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m., Wed. 7 p.m.

FAITH BAPTIST, KY 52, 1 mile east of Estill-Lee county line. SS 10 a.m., Worship 11 a.m. & 6 p.m., Wednesday 6:30 p.m. Pastor, Todd Blevins

FIRST BAPTIST 723-4573, 351 Broadway, 723-4173; Keith Williams, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST Hudson Avenue and River Drive, 723-4816; Scott Rogers, min. S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wed. 6 p.m.

GREENBRIAR BAPTIST 6750 McKee Rd.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. Pastor, Delmar McGee.

HARG BAPTIST Spout Springs Rd., 723-6747; Larry Neal, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

IVORY HILL BAPTIST 8315 Winchester Rd., Ted Barker, Min.; S.S. 9:45 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 7 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

KNOB LICK BAPTIST CHURCH Knob Lick Rd., Fred Livingood, pastor; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m., Wed. 6 p.m.

MORRIS CREEK MISSION-ARY BAPTIST Kevin Chaney, Pastor; S.S. 10 a.m., W.S. 10:45 a.m. & 6 p.m.

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SOUTH IRVINE BAPTIST 1215 South Irvine Road, 723-8298; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m. Pas-

tor, Donnie Burford.

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RAVENNA CHRISTIAN 7th & Elm; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m., Bible Study Wednesday, 7 p.m. Pastor Tony White

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RIVER DRIVE CHRISTIAN 363 River Dr., 723-2553; Minister Paul Groves. S.S. 9:45 a.m. W.S. 10:45 am, 6:00 pm am and Wed. 7:00 pm

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SOUTH IRVINE CHRISTIAN 932 South Irvine Rd., 859-744-1693; Mike Chism, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

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Belcher, Min.; S.S. 10 a.m.; W.S. 11 a.m. & 6 p.m. Wed. 7 p.m.

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NEW VISION FULL GOSPEL, 5th St., Ravenna, SS 10a.m., MW 11 a.m., Sun. 6pm, Wed. 7p.m. Pastor: Buford Powell

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LOWER RED LICK HOLINESS CHURCH Dwight Northern, Min.; Sun. 6:30 p.m.; Thurs. 7 p.m.

RESTORATION NOW MINISTRIES, 100 Tyler Lane, Irvine, Pastor, Veronica Lay; Sunday W.S. 11 a.m.; Wed. 7 p.m. 723-2449.

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By Howard Coop Although I enjoyed sports very much when I was in high school and wanted to participate in them, I, for a number of reasons, did not have an opportunity to do so. Yet, every time I had an opportunity, I watched those who were able to participate in sports. From that experience, I learned an important lesson: Those who participated in sports, regardless of how good they were at the sport, had to make a firm commitment to practice day after day.

Now, practice has been defined as “to do repeatedly in order to learn or become proficient.” Joyce Meyer, a charismatic author and speaker, put it this way, “The way anything is developed is through practice practice practice practice practice practice practice practice practice and more practice.” About twenty-four hundred years ago, Aristotle, the Greek philosopher, put it another way when he said, “For things we have to learn before we can do them, we learn by doing them.” Then, Toba Beta said, “Practice doesn’t make perfect” but it “reduces imperfection.” To put it in simple terms, to achieve success in any endeavor in life, one must put one’s heart and soul into that endeavor and work hard at it relentlessly day after day.

Sometime ago while reading an interesting book, I came across a statement that caught my attention. It said, “Dear friends, let us practice loving each other.” That statement, almost two thousand years old, points to a significant fact about everyday life as we experience it. We do no live in the Garden of Eden where everything is perfect. Rather, we live in an imperfect environment that is flawed by



attitudes, relationships and actions that constantly cause frictions and irritations that make life unpleasant, but life can be better.

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LIFESTYLES

Winter backyard birding basics



This is the second of a series of articles detailing essential outdoor skills to learn before the warm winds of spring arrive in Kentucky.

FRANKFORT, Ky. – The deepest, darkest, bleakest part of winter is here. The long slog from just after the holidays through the NCAA tournament is one of the toughest to weather, but watching the many species of birds that inhabit Kentucky in your backyard can brighten the most leaden days.

“Just this morning I didn’t want to leave from watching all of the birds in my backyard,” said Kate Heyden, avian biologist for the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources. “Winter is the best time to feed birds as they need the food now more than at any other time of year and you will typically see a greater number and variety of birds at bird feeders.”

Heyden said Kentucky receives many interesting birds from the north in winter and again in spring when many species return home from lands south of us, providing a great variety of species to see.

Bird watching is a good way to introduce kids into the outdoors and spark awareness of our natural world. It is also productive practice for bird hunters, who must make quick identifications of birds in the field. An identification mistake for a bird hunter can be costly as songbirds are protected under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act. Waterfowlers must know the species of duck or goose before attempting to take a bird or risk making a mistake in their daily bag limit.

“You don’t need to spend money on food or feeders to attract birds to your yard,”

Heyden said. “If you can leave a small area of your yard un-mowed, you can attract a lot of birds. They eat the seeds from the grasses and weeds and use the area for cover as well.”

Employing a feeder grants the ability for close study of birds. Heyden explained all feeders draw birds, but those that keep the bird feed dry and free of mold are best. Moldy seeds are bad for bird health. Place feeders either near a window or fairly far away to help prevent birds from colliding with windows when startled.

The most common feeder is a hopper or house feeder, usually made of windows of clear plastic with that feed seed to a perching surface. These feeders attract cardinals, nuthatches, chickadees, grosbeaks, buntings and titmice.

“One without a lot of perching surface minimizes use by house sparrows or starlings,” Heyden explained. “The most important thing is to keep feeders clean by washing with bleach water every few weeks.” Washing with bleach water prevents the spread of disease.

Although slightly more expensive, Heyden feeds birds black oil sunflower seeds. “They attract a wide variety of desirable birds without attracting as many pest species,” she said. “The cheap bird feed is full of filler and often contains corn which attracts squirrels, house sparrows starlings and crows.”

A suet feeder attracts woodpeckers, nuthatches, chickadees and bluejays. Some birders push suet or peanut butter into crevices in bark or in the cracks of old stumps to attract these birds.

Witnessing a northern flicker or red-bellied woodpecker feeding at close range

sears a delightful memory into the mind of a youngster. “Woodpeckers love dead branches on trees,” Heyden said. She recommended leaving a dead branch on a tree in the corner or rear of the yard to attract woodpeckers if it is safe to do so.

“It is important to provide water for birds in winter,” said Gary Sprandel, an avid birder and geoprocessing specialist for Kentucky Fish and Wildlife. Place the water in a spot in the yard that receives sun as its rays will melt some water for birds on even the coldest days.

A good guide book is essential for identifying birds. Looking up unfamiliar birds and learning about their distinguishing characteristics is part of the fun of birding. He prefers the “Birds of North America – A Guide to Field Identification” by Chandler Robbins. “I like this guide because all the information about a bird is on one page,” Sprandel said. “It is pocket-sized and easy to carry afield.”

Modestly priced binoculars now have coated lenses and other features that make them acceptable choices for bird watching. “Don’t get zoom binoculars for birding,” Sprandel said. “You tend to lose clarity at high magnification. A wide angle pair lets in more light and makes it easier to find birds. Try them out before you buy.”

Sprandel also invites backyard birders to participate in the Great Backyard Bird

Count on Feb. 13 -16. This project from the Cornell University Lab of Ornithology, the National Audubon Society and Bird Studies Canada allows birders from all over the world help scientists glean valuable information on bird populations.

You simply need to record the species and number of birds seen for at least 15 minutes on one or more days of the project. To participate, visit the Great Backyard Bird Count homepage at <http://gbbc.birdcount.org/>.

Backyard birding is a family-friendly way to pass the long, dreary winter days. Plus, it is just plain fun.

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Caring for calves in cold weather



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If you are interested, please contact the Estill County Extension Office at 723-4557. The enrollment deadline is February 27, 2015.

Take precautions with newborn calves

With winter temperatures and resulting wind chills, cattle producers need to pay special attention to newborn calves. University of Kentucky College of Agriculture, Food and Environment ruminant veterinarian Michelle Arnold said extra precautions would go a long way in helping calves survive. “A calf’s body

temperature often falls below normal due to a slow birth, followed by a delay in standing and nursing,” she said. “That is the immediate concern, and then the next step is maintaining the calf’s core temperature.”

If possible, producers should bring cows into the barn to calve in a heavily bedded, clean pen. If cows must calve outdoors, make sure there is dry, clean ground available without a large amount of manure. If cows do calve outdoors and calves show signs of hypothermia, or there are no natural windbreaks, producers should bring calves in until they are warm and dry.

Signs of hypothermia include shivering and blood shunting. In the early stages of hypothermia, a calf will show vigorous shivering usually accompanied by increased pulse and breathing rate. Cold nostrils and pale, cold hooves are early signs that blood is being shunted away from the body’s extremities. Watch for erratic behavior, confusion and a clumsy gait. As hypothermia progresses, shivering stops and muscles become rigid and pulse and respiration slow down. Brain cell metabolism slows and impairs brain function. The calf’s level of consciousness deteriorates and signs of life become difficult to detect. The pupils of the eyes will be dilated and fixed, and it may be hard to detect a pulse. The calf may have occasional gasps of respiration, and that may be the only clue that the calf is still alive. Heart failure may be the actual cause of death.

“The two most important factors in calf survival are warmth and colostrum,” Arnold said. “Colostrum is a concentrated source of protein, vitamins, minerals and energy, and it also contains antibodies to diseases or vaccines that the mother cow has been exposed to. Before you give colostrum, you need to make sure to warm the calf because the weak ones may not have enough strength to suckle. Sometimes

you may need to deliver colostrum through an esophageal feeder.” Dark Karo syrup is a quick source of energy for calves and their bloodstream quickly absorbs it.

UK Extension beef specialist Jeff Lehmkuhler contributed several ways to warm newborn calves: 1) place calves next to floorboard heaters or pickup trucks; 2) submerge wet calves in warm baths and gradually heat the water to 100 degrees Fahrenheit meanwhile supporting the calves’ heads to prevent drowning. Continue changing water out to maintain temperature; 3) place calves next to the heater in the house; 4) place calves under heat lamps, but be careful to cover the lamp with a screen so the calf will not get burned as it becomes more active; 5) wrap the calf in warm blankets, but not so hot that they burn the skin, and change the blankets as necessary to maintain warmth; 6) place the calf in a hot box or warming box, but not so hot that they burn the skin, with some type of venting is necessary to prevent carbon monoxide and moisture. Air movement is important to ensure thorough warming and to prevent hot spots in the warming box; and 7) ask a veterinarian administer warm IV fluids.

“Once the calf is warm, provide colostrum and maintain body temperature,” Arnold said. “If the calf is unwilling to suckle and it’s not possible to milk the mother cow, you should consider commercial colostrum-replacement products.” Calves need colostrum as soon as possible after the suckle reflex has returned, generally within the first six hours after birth, but ideally within the first hour or two. Once the calf is warm and fed, move it back to its mother.

For more information, contact the Estill County Extension Office at 723-4557 or your local veterinarian practice.

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by Andrew Hatton
CVT Sports Contributor

The Lady Engineers

Lady Engineers win in OT thriller

defeated Magoffin County in a thrilling overtime game, with a final score of 63-60. Estill responded to a loss to Madison Southern from last week with this win over the Lady Hornets. This result should boost the squad's confidence as they prepare for a rematch against Powell County. It took an outstanding team performance to pull this win off. The Lady Engineers were down 32-18 at the half, but made a

run in the third quarter to cut the deficit to 41-37 as they headed into the fourth. Estill continued to pressure Magoffin at the defensive end, claiming a lead in the fourth quarter before the Lady Hornets came back to tie the game up at the end of regulation. The Lady Engineers defensive effort as a team eventually allowed them to prevail in the overtime period. Assistant Coach Ruth Hughes attributed the

Lady Engineer win to team defending and never giving up, two qualities that this team has maintained all season long. Kennedy Flynn, who came up with crucial 34-point performance, once again led Estill in the win. Flynn's 13-for-19 shooting performance on free throws was perhaps the most important contribution to a team that has struggled at the line for most of the season. Sidney Danyeur also had

a big game for the Lady Engineers, finishing with 14 points and 7 rebounds. The combination of Flynn and Danyeur could end up being a dangerous one in the post-season, if the sophomore can string together more performances like this on a consistent basis. The Lady Engineers can't celebrate this victory very long though, as the Lady Pirates come to town on Jan. 23. Estill will surely have revenge

in mind after their 48-38 loss at Powell on Jan. 3. Powell currently sits at 10-6 on the season and is in the driver's seat to win the district. Estill's overtime win moves them to 9-8, with them playing catch-up to the Lady Pirates as well as Lee County. Friday's game will be at home for the Lady Engineers at 6 p.m., with the boy's game immediately following.

Estill boys wins five straight, look to Powell rematch

by Andrew Hatton
CVT Sports Contributor

The Engineers defeated both Riverside Christian and Russell on the court last week, giving them their fifth consecutive win as they head into Friday's rematch with Powell County. Estill has not lost since the calendar flipped over to 2015. Estill dominated the

game against Riverside Christian on Jan. 13. The 60-12 win gave the Engineers a great opportunity to give their bench some much-needed work. Estill went 16 deep on their bench for the game, giving several young players a chance to gain some experience. Austin Blackwell led the Engineers in scoring on the night, dropping 11 on the Rams. In all, 13 of the 16 players scored that

stepped on the court for Estill. The Engineers defeated the Red Devils of Russell in a game that was slightly more competitive. Where Estill had 13 different scorers against Riverside, they had only five in their 48-33 win over Russell. Caleb Bonny scored 21 points on the night, giving him his third +20 point performance of the season. Senior Trevor Jones added

16 points, as the two of them continued to lead the Engineers in scoring. The Engineers appear to be clicking at a good time, with some of the season's key games coming up on the horizon. Estill hosts Powell County on Friday, in a rematch of the game that kick-started the current win-streak. The Pirates seem to have rebounded from the loss rather

well though, with a record of 4-1 since the home loss to the Engineers. Friday's game is sure to be an important one in determining the outcome of the fate of the district. Estill is currently 3-0 in district play and a win Friday would help to lock up the 1-seed for the Engineers for the district tournament.

Raiders host competition; Jackson County takes trophy



The second season of the Estill County High School JROTC competition year has begun, with ECHS hosting the Bluegrass League Competition on Saturday, January 17 at the high school. Jackson County High School took top honors among participating teams which included Jackson County, Madison Central, George Rogers Clark, Montgomery County and Estill County.

The trophy is kept for a year and will be brought to the next competition by the winner. Those participating completed an obstacle course, a mystery challenge, a rope challenge and a bi-athlon. Besides the Raiders' 40-member competition team, the Color Guard and the rifle team, the JROTC consists of the 210 students who take the class at the high school.



ECMS claims banner



The Estill County Middle School has won the attendance banner for the fifth month of school. They upset West Irvine to claim the banner. West Irvine has dominated the banner contest which goes to the school with the highest monthly attendance. This is ECMS's first banner of the year, and also the first time West Irvine has lost the banner this year. A big congratulations to the middle school and a thanks to all parents for encouraging kids to attend school.

